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Subject: Update from Fort Meade Lab - Freedom Industries Spill

I highlighted the question for today's call

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Subject: WV Spill - Lab Status 1/30

## Analysis of Alternate Storage Tank:

Characterization of the storage tank material is done with the exception of running the sample on the GC/IR (next week). Summary report is being compiled.

- GC/MS SVOC preliminary list of constituents submitted to Jack Kelly and Wendy Gray
- GC/MS VOC preliminary list of constituents submitted to Wendy Gray
  - Both show presence of crude MCHM and crude PPh compounds
- Metals not detected; small amount of calcium; no mercury
- No significant amount of anions; small amount of chloride
- pH = 5
- approx. 3.7% water

## Other:

- Received crude PPh and original tank material from National Guard
  - Waiting for response to see if original tank material needs to be characterized
- Received two standards for diPPh
- Contacted Marshall University to speak to Professor
  - No return call or email
- Contacted Regional Lab Network and NEIC
  - R5 willing to assist with LC/MS/MS
  - According to NEIC they are already providing support to FBI and CDC with methods
- Split Samples received Thursday 1/30/14
  - Analyzing for SVOCs and VOCs; preliminary results anticipated Monday
- Formaldehyde Methods EPA 556.1 and SW-846 8315 requires derivitization and folks

familiar with running this method agree that lab contamination is an issue. Even DI water has approx. 2-3 ppb present.

- HQ OEM/Emergency Response Center requested summary of R3 Lab Efforts; sending today

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